American Academy of Pediatrics

GLOBAL CHILD HEALTH INITIATIVES

The mission of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) is to attain optimal physical, mental, and social health and well-being for ALL infants, children, adolescents, and young adults.

The Department of Global Child Health and Life Support is committed to establishing relationships, building capacity, and providing innovative education and training materials to advance newborn, child, and adolescent health.

SAVING NEWBORN LIVES | KEEPING CHILDREN HEALTHY | SUPPORTING ADOLESCENT HEALTH
TRAINING • EDUCATION • TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE • IMPLEMENTATION RESEARCH • SIMULATION MODELS • ADVOCACY

SAVING NEWBORN LIVES

TRAIN The AAP has developed and maintains a series of training resources for pediatricians, midwives, and other health providers caring for newborns. The training materials and course curriculum include the Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP) courses that are taught in 143 countries, and Helping Babies Survive (HBS) (1st and 2nd edition) courses that have been taught to more than 500,000 providers in 27 languages in 80 countries.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE The AAP provides in-person and remote technical assistance using innovative telementoring models for newborn care best practices and quality improvement. The AAP works within large multi-partner projects to provide the expertise for newborns and children in MNCH programs globally.

TECHNOLOGIES The Academy partners with the private sector to evaluate life-saving technologies for newborns for implementation or to improve health provider training.

KEEPING CHILDREN HEALTHY

ADVOCATE Using the Academy’s content and advocacy curriculum, AAP trains pediatricians as Champions for national and sub-national child health policy.

EDUCATE Through Pediatric Education for Prehospital Professionals (PEPP) and Pediatric First Aid for Caregivers & Teachers (PEPFACETS), AAP educates on the assessment and stabilization of the critically injured or ill child.

STRENGTHEN SYSTEMS AAP provides technical assistance to national pediatric societies and health providers to improve immunization systems and service delivery for Congenital Syndrome Associated with Zika by training health providers and coordinating information systems across public and private sectors.

DEVELOP AAP develops clinical tools to support health providers to interpret guidelines & clinical recommendations. The Academy works with Ministries of Health to ensure policies and guidelines are evidence-based and up-to-date.

SUPPORTING ADOLESCENT HEALTH

CONVENE As the Secretariat for NCD Child, AAP supports the global coalition in championing the rights and needs of children, adolescents, and young people living with or at risk of developing non-communicable diseases (NCDs). The AAP’s domestic advocacy workshops served as a model for NCD Child’s regional NCD advocacy workshop series.

ADVOCATE The AAP encourages the US government to support NCD and adolescent health interventions and policies that promote the healthy development of children, families, and communities. Alongside its partners, the AAP advocates directly to the WHO and UN to prioritize the life-course approach to health. The Academy is an active member and past chair of both the Taskforce on Women & NCDs and NCD Roundtable.

TRAIN With local pediatric societies, the Academy trains pediatricians to mobilize champions and implement comprehensive tobacco control and prevention strategies.

MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

NETWORK OF EXPERTS The AAP has two member-led sections devoted to pediatric health providers who have a special interest in global health or have trained outside of the US. The Section on International Child Health and the Section on International Medical Graduates actively engage in education, mentorship, advocacy, and policy development.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT The AAP publishes policy statements and guidelines. As the leading publisher of pediatric journals and digital publications worldwide, the Academy has more than 50 current publications translated into 41 different languages.

A VOICE FOR CHILDREN The AAP has 68,000 members across the globe. As active and engaged advocates, members are a voice for children across all levels of society. Participating in the UN General Assembly and the World Health Assembly, the Academy partners with coalitions and roundtables to amplify messages.
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ELEVATING IMPACT THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

AAP TRAINING PROGRAMS HAVE A GLOBAL REACH

• **NCD** Advocacy Workshops in 6 WHO Regions attended by representatives from 66 countries
• **Neonatal Resuscitation Program** implemented in 143 countries
• **Advanced Pediatric Life Support** implemented in 23 countries
• **Helping Babies Survive** implemented in 80 countries with over 500,000 trainees
• **Pediatric first aid and emergency care** trainings (PEPP & PedFacts) implemented in 29 countries